## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1) CRYSTAL EWTON
- 4) CARSON DeBORD (3) SHANA BRADY
  - (4) DAVID BRADY
- (5) WADE GRAHAM
  - (8) ALLIE BRADY
- 11) CORLEW BOYD
- 12) LOGAN BURDETTE 12) KERRY HOLLIS
- 13) JENNIFER DAVIS FOSHEE
  - 15) MOLLY DAVIS
- 18) CADEN SWANGER
- (20) CAROLYN HATFIELD (20) JADA LAND (20) JAMES McCLAIN (22) TAMMY CLAYTON (29) DIANE HANNAH (30) TONY BOSTON
  - - 30) C. J. DAVIS

# DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

(54 yrs.) (54 Yrs.) (62 yrs.) (52 yrs.) (58 yrs.) (20) ROBERT AND LINDA TURNER 10) JORDAN AND SARA HOOVER 11) GERALD AND JANET LAND (20) JIM AND JANIS DEARMAN (23) JOHN AND ANN COOLEY 11) BEN AND LINDA McCOY

Instead of giving yourself a pat on the

back, try giving yourself a shove.

The bouquet we hand ourselves most usually looks like weeds to the other fellow.

#### DECEMBER

Prepare the Communion-Rick & Tina Pick-up Cups-Hannah Family Lock the Building.....???? Van Driver-????

#### Dunlap, Tn. 37327 Church of Christ P. O. Box 206

See You at The Worship Service With Your Bible

#### Sunday

Morning 6:00 P.M. Evening Service 9:30 A.M. Bible Study 0:30 A.M. Service

6:30 P.M. Bible Study Wednesday

### Men Who Serve

Elders:

949-5065 718-5806 762-9526 Freddie Clayton Iim Dearman Tony Boston

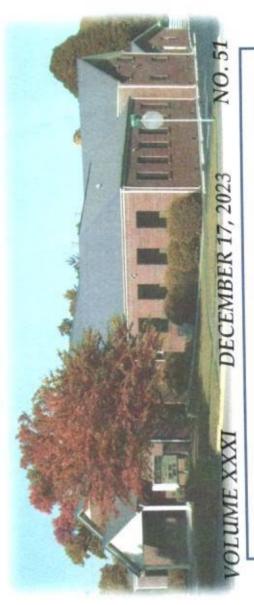
#### Deacons:

Lanny Smith, Bobby Von Rohr Fim Layman, Benny McCoy, Robert Farmer, Wes Grace, Wiley Boston, Daniel Boyd Cole Crabtree, C. J. Davis,

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## PERFECT LOVE

Slow to provoke-quick to conciliate Slow to belittle-quick to appreciate Slow to reprimand—quick to forbear Slow to condemn-quick to justify Slow to offend-quick to defend Slow to expose-quick to shield Slow to demand-quick to give Slow to suspect-quick to trust Slow to hinder-quick to help

Slow to resent-quick to forgive

#### THE RECORD

Wednesday	Sunday Night	Contribution \$	Worship	Sunday School
103	93	\$4,820	116	100

#### Sick/Shut-In

Benny McCoy - home, recovering from a skin procedure

Bobby & Brenda VonRohr - home,

not feeling well Judy Bunch - broken leg, sister of

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Titus Broking - knee surgery
Glenna Goins - home, Sara Goins'
Daughter-in-law

Jennifer Foshee - home recovering from surgery

Charline Johnson - NHC, for physical therapy

Rachel Harvey - at Kate's house, will be home soon

Gene Ross - cancer, Anita Ross' husband

<u>Kenny Easterly</u> - Cancer <u>Mary Griffith</u> - Health Issues, Bible

Correspondence Student
Everlee Dixon recovering from
Surgery Sue Dixon's great-

LeAnn Day - home, started chemo

granddaughter

#### Nursing Home

Dessie Green - Valley View Senior
Living, Whitwell, Rm 132
David Cole - NHC, Rm 306, no visits
Cards only, Wilma's Son-in-Law
Brenda Turner - NHC, RM 105
Brenda VonRohr's Mother
Charline Johnson - NHC, Rm 305

#### Meal Train

There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for James & LeAnn Day. If you can provide a meal.

<u>Pantry Items for December</u> Adult Incontinence Underwear Women Size – S/M, Men Size - LG

Our Sympathy is Extended to the Family of Judy Kerley.
She was the sister of Larry Kerley.

Instead of
"Elf on a Shelf"
let's try
"You in a Pew"
Attend church services

## Competence

"The end of education is to see men made whole, both in competence and in conscience' (John S. Dickey).

To be competent is to be qualified to do a job - able to complete the task skillfully. The competent are those who can be trusted to carry out a responsibility in an adept manner. It should go without saying (but these days we often forget) that competence must always be governed by conscience. Not everything that can be done should be done, and the fact that we have the ability to do something is often dangerous if we don't have the moral judgment to evaluate what we're doing. John S. Dickey, who said that the goal of education is to see us "made whole, both in competence and in conscience," also said that to create the power of competence without creating a corresponding direction to guide the use of that power is bad education." So **know-how** without **know-why** is only half an education. Allan Bloom, who has written trenchantly on these matters, observed that fathers and mothers "have lost the idea that the highest aspiration they might have for their children is for them to be wise — specialized competence and success are all that they can imagine."

What we should aim for are the twin towers of *character* (who we are in our principles) and *competence* (what we can do in our practice). When these two are combined, we have the makings of a real person. It's the blending of these that should be our goal.

But if competence without conscience is dangerous, conscience without competence is not much good either. Being honorable people and having good intentions will not suffice. We'll have to gain some actual skills if we want to make a worthy contribution to the world. And when we learn how to do some things that the world needs to have done, we give a great gift to all the people who care about us.

In this life, we need the humility to recognize our limitations. But we also need the courage to pursue competence in the work that's within our reach. Rather than settle for mediocrity, or spin our wheels in frivolous pastimes, we'd do better to invest in the mastery of some solid skills. Expertise is a gift that keeps giving for a very long time.

"Superfluity comes sooner by white hairs, but competency lives longer"
(William Shakespeare).

-adapted from an article by Gary Henry-

#### CCM Team - Team No. 3 meets today. Please submit names to the CCM program. Forms are located downstairs in the CCM area.

Funeral Home Teams - Team #4, (Team Leader, Dana Lowdermilk).

Send A Card

Charlene Johnson - NHC, 360 Dell Trail, Dunlap, TN 37327, Rm 305 Joby Smith - Shepherd Center, Joby Smith Rm 20, 2020 Peachtree Rd. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30309 Stephanie Bragg - 2279 West Valley Rd., Dunlap, TN 37327 LeAnn Day, 3597 Lewis Chapel Rd., Graysville, TN 37338

#### WATCH IT!

Sunday morning broadcasts available.

6 AM - International Gospel Hour, Channel 53 WFLI; 6 AM - The Gospel of Christ with Ben Bailey Channel 61 FOX 6:30 AM - Good News Today, Channel 53 WFLI; 7 AM - In Search of the Lord's Way, Channel 12 1 segment will be after the Swap & Shop broadcast.

#### OUR SCHEDULED EVENTS, Mark your Calendars

Holiday Card Exchange - Cards are due by noon TODAY.

Fruit Baskets - Wednesday, December 20th, provide names of anyone that you would like to receive a fruit basket. We will also have finger foods.

New Years Eve – The PM Service will be at 5 PM, Covered Dish Meal immediately after the service. Fun and Games afterward for anyone that would like to stay.